

Vehicle Inspections & Standards BULLETIN

To All Authorized Inspectors (AIs) and Designated Inspection Facilities (DIFs)

Re: Inspection of Taxis and Ride-Hail Vehicles

On <u>September 16, 2019</u>, amendments to Motor Vehicle Act Regulation Division 25 to identify and outline requirements for Transportation Network Services (TNS) Ride-Hail vehicles and Taxi inspections will take effect.

These amendments incorporate a usage-based inspection interval for TNS vehicles and Taxis, which is based on mileage accumulated in the previous 12 months. With this change, Taxis that have the required documentation may receive an annual inspection expiry following a mechanical safety inspection, instead of the previously required semi-annual expiry. TNS vehicles and Taxis operators must request the appropriate inspection, along with the inspection interval as required by regulation.

Inspection Intervals

- When operating as a TNS, mandatory inspection intervals will require an annual inspection interval. Following 12 months, the inspection interval may increase depending on the previous 12 months of operation. If the TNS vehicle has operated over 40,000 kms, the inspection interval will increase to every 6 months.
- 2. When operating as a Taxi, the inspection intervals remains a semi-annual expiry. Where a Taxi has operated less than 40,000 kms in the previous 12 months, the inspection interval changes to an annual expiry.

Inspection Report

If requested to submit an annual or semi-annual inspection for a Taxi, facility operators must ensure a Commercial Inspection Form (CVSE0014) is used when submitting the inspection. If a TNS is presented for inspection and the carrier or operator has indicated a semi-annual inspection is required, even though the vehicle will in all likely-hood be registered as a private vehicle, use of the Commercial Inspection Form (CVSE0014) must be used to identify the correct expiry date as semi-annual.

DIF and AI Expectations

DIFs and AIs are not required to calculate or determine the correct inspection interval. The TNS or Taxi carriers will monitor inspection intervals and will ensure that the correct inspection threshold is requested.

It is important that TNS and Taxi operators determine the correct inspection intervals. It is equally important that DIF operators ensure inspections are submitted correctly and include accurate odometer

readings on all inspection reports. If the odometer is incorrect, the inspection interval will default to a semi-annual inspection and clients may be in non-compliance due to this error.

PLEASE NOTE: These requirements apply to limousines, however, as outlined in <u>Bulletin 01-15</u> <u>Identification and Inspection of Buses and Limousine Buses</u>, AIs and DIFs must ensure that, when inspecting a motor vehicle with a seating capacity of more than 10, the vehicle is inspected as a "BUS", regardless of the noted vehicle type, body style, vehicle information documentation.

Should you have any further questions or concerns specific to Vehicle Inspections, contact the program at 778-974-5458.

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